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COMPOSITIONS FOR SORTING POLYNUCLEOTIDES

Preliminary Amendment

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The Remarks below are submitted in connection with the above application.

REMARKS

No amendments are requested of claims 1-4 of patent 5,654,413. New claims 5-13 are requested to cover subject matter invented by applicant but not claimed. Claims 1-13 are pending in the application.

Basis for the new claims are as follows: